

(b) the details of scheme/programme and implementation thereof with regard to modernisation of prisons in reference to part (a) above?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR): (a) to (b) 'Prisons' is a State subject under List II of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution. Prison Administration is therefore the responsibility of State Governments. A consolidated Memorandum was submitted by the Ministry of Home Affairs to the Fourteenth Finance Commission, which included the demands projected by States/UTs amounting to ₹ 13,962.60 crore for prison reforms in the second phase of modernization of prisons. The 14th Finance Commission, however observed that in view of improved outlay for States, there is appropriate fiscal space to provide for additional expenditure needed for their requirements and did not make any allocation in favour of Central Government for this purpose. As no funds have been earmarked for the scheme, the second phase of Prison Modernisation Scheme has not been launched.

Integrated control centre within the Ministry

2466. PROF. M. V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry is aiming to set up a state-of-the-art integrated control centre within the Ministry;
- (b) if so, by when the project is likely to begin; and
- (c) the advantages of such an integrated control system?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJJU): (a) to (c) No. such proposal is under consideration in this Ministry. This Ministry already has Integrated Emergency Operation Centre operational on 24x7 basis at North Block, New Delhi to monitor natural and manmade disasters.

Discrimination in financial help

2467. SHRI KIRANMAY NANDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the State-wise number of personnel who sacrificed their lives fighting against anti-national acts like terrorism, etc.;
- (b) the details of help being provided by Government to their families during last two years;